Questions and Answers

Broad Agency Announcement 08-007

"Basic Research Challenge"

In response to questions received under Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) 08-007, entitled, "Basic Research Challenge", the following is provided:

Question Number 1: Regarding the cost proposal, does that count as part of the 25 page limit?

Answer Number 1: As stated in Amendment number 2, the cost proposal is not included in the 25 page limit.

Question Number 2: Along with our entire budget, our proposal includes 5 research options. Each option has a budget for 5 years. If we include that in the 25 page narrative, the options alone will take 20 pages. Can we put the options at the end of the narrative? Otherwise, what do you suggest we do? If we can include them, where should we put them in the PDF?

Answer Number 2: See response to Question number 1 above.

Question Number 3: We are using human subjects, would you like us to include our Principal Investigators (PIs) and other key personnel's Certifications of Completion in Human Subjects Education included after the Curriculum Vitae (CVs)? Or is that unnecessary?

Answer Number 3: It is necessary to include the PIs and other key personnel's Certifications of Completion in Human Subjects Education included after the CVs.

Question Number 4: For Item (g) of the Management Approach section - is this optional? Only if we want assertion of data rights to restrict, release or disclose use of data?

Answer Number 4: Item (g) of the Management Approach is not optional; however, question number 4 refers to section (f) of the Management Approach which is optional.

Question Number 5: Also, when I clicked on the link that was given [http:/farsite.hill.af.mil/VFDARA.HTM] it wouldn't open.

Answer Number 5: The website must include two forward slashes (//), not a single forward slash (/) after the http. The website address provided on page 10 paragraph (f) of BAA 08-007 is written correctly.

Question Number 6: Can consultant agreement documents not be counted in the 25-page limit?

Answer Number 6: The consultant agreement is required as part of the budget. Amendment number 2 removes the budget from the page count, therefore, the consultant agreement is not counted as part of the 25-page limit.